

Health Innovation Ecosystem Seminar

Date: **Wednesday 23 October 2019, 1.00-2.00pm**

Place: **Room tbc, 115 New Cavendish Street, W1W 6UW**

Title: **A Randomised Trial of Employment Support for People with a Health Condition**

Speaker: **Richard Dorsett**, PhD, Professor of Economic Evaluation, WBS, University of Westminister

Abstract:

This seminar will describe a trial of Individual Placement and Support (IPS) currently underway in England. IPS has been shown through several previous trials to be effective in helping people with severe mental health problems. The current trials will assess how well IPS can work for people with a broader range of health issues. It is the largest IPS trial to date and is being evaluated by a government-commissioned consortium of research organisations. It will provide estimates of the impact of IPS on employment, health and well-being. The seminar will focus on the design of the trial and its implementation.

Bio:

Richard Dorsett is Professor of Economic Evaluation at the University of Westminister. Previously, he was Principal Research Fellow and Director of Policy Evaluation at the National Institute of Economic and Social Research (2008-2016) and Research Director at the Policy Studies Institute (2000-2008). His research has mostly been in the fields of employment, welfare and education/training. He specialises in empirical research, applying econometric and statistical models to data in order to estimate causal effects. His experience covers both large-scale government evaluations and smaller-scale studies. He has led numerous projects using both experimental and non-experimental techniques. He has a PhD in economics from the University of Manchester.